

Friends of Westgate Meeting

30th. March 2016 7.30pm (Fleece Pub)

- 1) Chaired by Kevin Jacobs. **Present;** Joanne Hattersley, Hannah Morley, Victoria Mirfield, Helen Carpenter, Cath Hodgson

Apologies from Charlotte Evans, Sarah Drake, Claire Marsh, Serena Lunn, Jo Newal, Andrew Ross.

- 2) **Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting.** Approved with no amendments.

3) **Matters Arising.**

Year 5 Quiet activities, H C outlined the items requested and it was agreed that we would purchase these as required. **Action HC to forward list to VM for purchase.**

ii) **. Film Night** Hannah provided information on this, especially regarding costings. Thursday 28/4 will continue as planned and be reviewed after the first event. Hannah agreed to take this forward and ask for any help as required. **Action HM to forward.**

4) **Recent Events.**

i) **Easter Fayre.** A very successful event was noted with takings of £2192.37 noted. An e-mail from Claire, Gail and Liz was also discussed in which they wished to stand down next year. It was agreed that we would like to show some small appreciation of the exceptional work undertaken in running this event over the past years and it was agreed that we will advertise in the school newsletter for a new team to lead this event.

ii) **Toy Library.** Sarah had e-mailed asking for help with this as Helen Jackson has stepped down. Cath Hodgson kindly agreed to speak to Sarah to see if she can help. Suggestions were made to increase uptake, 1, Holding it outside if fine. 2, Sending a letter to nursery parents. 3, Staying open later to accommodate nursery pickup.

iii) **Savings club.** This activity is progressing well, Savers certificates have been issued that are a great incentive. Thanks was expressed to Karen for help in this. **Action** HM to explore signage and information will be included in the 'new starter induction pack'.

iv) **Uniform Sale** This is running well with good stock levels.

- 5) **Forthcoming Events.** i) **Carnival.** A good number of entries have been received to select the theme. Steph Wood has shortlisted these, and school council will make the final decision. On an aside Westgate School put forward a large number of entries for the Carnival poster with lots of winners including overall winner.

6) **Any Other Business.**

i) Appreciation for the support of FOW by Mr. Wardman was noted and an ex-gratia gift agreed.

ii) The good work of the Easter Bunny was also noted and expenses agreed.

iii) Maypole refreshments It was agreed to replicate last years format for this with two sites providing Tea, Coffee Squash and biscuits. An e-mail will be sent to ask for volunteers.

iv) Ragbag, the date of 7th June was confirmed by Jo, H C agreed to advertise this via the newsletter.

Date of Next Meeting. **Tuesday 17th. May 2017 Fleece Pub. All very welcome. n.b. please not change of day**